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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PUSHING ELECTRONIC MESSAGES TO A WIRELESS PORTABLE DEVICE USING A STANDARD MAIL SERVER INTERFACE

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Applicant(s)

LENNIE ET AL.

Examiner

MOHAMMAD A. SIDDIQI

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 01/27/2010.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 5, 8, 9, 11-14, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24-27, and 33 (please rearrange claims 1-17).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
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/NATHAN FLYNN/
Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2454

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1, 5, 8, 9, 11-14, 18,19,21,22, 24-27, and 33 are allowed.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Shawn Diedrich on 04/27/2010.

3. Please replace all the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A communication system for pushing electronic messages to a wireless portable device to advise a user when an electronic message is received and to provide the user with a subset of the electronic message to allow the user to download electronic messages of interest for viewing at the wireless portable device, comprising:

a mail server comprising ~~instructions that execute on~~ a computer system having a processor that executes instructions to when executed implement an electronic mail interface configured to be coupled to the Internet, for storing an electronic mail message received over the Internet and for generating a copy of said electronic mail message;

a notifications server, coupled to said mail server, ~~comprising instructions that execute on~~ a computer system having a processor that executes instructions to when executed implement a standard electronic mail protocol for automatically receiving said copy of said electronic mail message as a standard formatted electronic mail message and wherein said notifications server comprises a user information database for providing a mapping between wireless electronic devices and their associated electronic mail addresses;

wherein said mail server automatically forwards using standard mail protocols the copies of the received messages to ~~the~~ said notifications server;

wherein said notifications server is for automatically generating, therefrom, a subset of said received copy of said electronic mail message, wherein said subset is a notification message comprising at least one of a sender's identification and a subject field of said received electronic mail message;

wherein said notifications server, upon generation of said subset, is configured to automatically transmit without any user trigger said subset to an identified wireless electronic device associated with a user that is the recipient of said received electronic mail message;

wherein said identified wireless electronic device is operable to display received subsets to a user and wherein the user subsequently is able to select the subset;

wherein said notifications server transmits a remainder of said electronic mail message corresponding to said particular subset in response to said selection and thereby download the remainder of the electronic mail message to said identified electronic wireless device; and

wherein a push packet is used by said notifications server to transmit said subset to said identified wireless electronic device.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said identified wireless electronic device is a handheld computer system having wirelessly enabled communication.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said subset is wirelessly transmitted using a wireless LAN communication network.

9. (Previously Presented) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said subset is wirelessly transmitted using a short range wireless communication network.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said standard electronic mail protocol is substantially compliant with the SMTP protocol (Simple Mail Transport Protocol).

12. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said standard electronic mail protocol is substantially compliant with the POP protocol (Post Office Protocol).

13. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 1 wherein said standard electronic mail protocol is substantially compliant with the IMAP protocol.

14. (Currently Amended) A communication system for pushing electronic messages to a wireless portable device, comprising:

a plurality of wireless electronic devices operable to communicate over a wireless communication network;

a mail server, coupled to the Internet, comprising ~~instructions that execute on~~ a computer system having a processor that executes instructions to when executed implement storing an electronic mail message received over the Internet and for generating a copy of said electronic mail message; and

a notifications server, coupled to said mail server, comprising ~~instructions that execute on~~ a computer system having a processor that executes instructions to when executed implement a standard electronic mail protocol for automatically receiving said copy of said electronic mail message as a standard formatted electronic mail message from said mail server and wherein said notifications server comprises a database for providing a mapping between wireless electronic devices and electronic mail addresses;

wherein said mail server automatically forwards using standard mail protocols the copies of the received messages to the said notifications server;

wherein said notifications server is for automatically generating, therefrom, a notification message which is a subset of said received copy of said electronic mail message, wherein said notification message comprises at least one of a sender's identification and a subject field of said received electronic mail message; and

said notifications server, upon generation of said notification message, for transmitting said notification message to an identified wireless electronic device, of said plurality of wireless electronic devices, associated with a user that is the recipient of said received electronic mail message;

wherein said identified wireless device is operable to display received notification messages to a user and wherein the user subsequently is able to select the subset;

where said notifications server transmits a remainder of said electronic mail message corresponding to said particular received notification message in response to said selection and thereby download the remainder of the electronic mail message to said identified electronic wireless device; and

wherein said notification message is transmitted by said notifications server using a push packet.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)

17. (Canceled)

18. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 14 wherein said identified wireless electronic device is a handheld computer system having wirelessly enabled communication.

19. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 14 wherein said notifications server comprises a database for providing a mapping between wireless electronic devices and electronic mail addresses.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously Presented) A communication system as described in Claim 14 wherein said notification message is transmitted by said notifications server using a wireless LAN communication network.

22. (Previously Presented) A communication system as described in Claim 14 wherein said notification message is transmitted by said notifications server using a short range wireless communication network.

23. (Canceled)

24. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 14 wherein said standard electronic mail protocol is substantially compliant with the SMTP protocol (Simple Mail Transport Protocol).

25. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 14 wherein said standard electronic mail protocol is substantially compliant with the POP protocol (Post Office Protocol).

26. (Original) A communication system as described in Claim 14 wherein said standard electronic mail protocol is substantially compliant with the IMAP protocol.

27. (Currently Amended) A method of communicating electronic messages to a wireless portable device to advise a user when an electronic message is received and

to provide the user with a subset of the electronic message to allow the user to download electronic messages of interest for viewing at the wireless portable device, comprising the steps of:

- a) generating, at a mail server implemented on a computer system having a processor, a copy of an electronic mail message that is received over the Internet;
- b) automatically receiving, at a notifications server implemented on a computer system having a processor, said copy of said electronic mail message in a standard electronic mail format and automatically communicated to said notifications server using a standard electronic mail protocol;
- c) storing said received copy of said electronic mail message in a computer readable storage medium coupled to said notifications server;
- d) automatically generating from said received copy of said electronic mail message a notification message which is a subset of said received copy of said electronic mail message; and
- e) upon generation of said notification message, automatically transmitting without any user trigger using a push packet said notification message from said notifications server, over a wireless communication network, to an identified wireless electronic device associated with a user that is the recipient of said received electronic mail message;

using a database coupled to the notifications server to provide a mapping between wireless electronic devices and electronic mail addresses of received electronic mail messages;

displaying received notification messages to said user on said identified electronic wireless device wherein the user subsequently is able to select the subset, wherein said subset comprises at least one of a sender's identification and a subject field of said received electronic mail message; and

in response to said selecting said particular received notification message, said notifications server transmitting a remainder of said electronic mail message corresponding to said particular received notification message and thereby download

the remainder of the electronic mail message to said identified electronic wireless device.

28. (Canceled)

29. (Canceled)

30. (Canceled)

31. (Canceled)

32. (Canceled)

33. (Original) A communication method as described in Claim 27 wherein said standard electronic mail protocol is substantially compliant with the SMTP protocol (Simple Mail Transport Protocol).

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MOHAMMAD A. SIDDIQI whose telephone number is (571)272-3976. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday -Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nathan J. Flynn can be reached on (571) 272-1915. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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